

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended.

The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 2-3 and 6-7 is acknowledged with appreciation. These claims have been rewritten in independent form, including minor revisions not affecting their allowability. Claim 8 has also been editorially revised.

The title has been revised to address the objection noted in paragraph 4 of the Office Action.

Without acceding to the outstanding rejections, Claims 1, and 4-5 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and appropriate Terminal Disclaimers are being submitted herewith in order to expedite the issuance of Claims 2-3, and 6-8.

The rejection of Claims 2-3 and 6-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is not understood. The fact that parent Claims 1 and 4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) does not constitute proper basis to reject Claims 2-3 and 6-7 for indefiniteness. Applicants therefore request that this rejection be withdrawn.

Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Nishizawa. It is apparent, however, that Nishizawa fails to teach or suggest a semiconductor device comprising, *inter alia*, external interface terminals

arranged in two rows in a direction crossing an extraction direction, where the power source feeding terminals have lengths so as to extend from the first row over to the second row, as recited in Claim 8. Note, for example, that the power source terminal #4 in Nishizawa does not have a length that extends from the first row over to the second row (See Figure 3(A) and paragraph [0107], for example).

Therefore, Claim 8 is believed to distinguish patentably from Nishizawa.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application be passed to issue.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (XA-10438) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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